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Flathead National Forest Hosts Educational Bear Fair

Tools & Tips for Living and Recreating In Bear Country

HUNGRY HORSE, MT – The Hungry Horse/Glacier View Ranger District of the Flathead National Forest is hosting an educational *Bear Fair* on Saturday, August 11, 2012, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Coram, Montana. The event is at the Coram Community Center, 185 Coram School Lane, and is free and open to the public.

Participants will learn tips and tools for living in bear country, including information about bear country etiquette, safety and food storage. There will be informational booths, an electric fence seminar, various speakers, and a bear spray instruction. Displays include bear traps, mounts and hides. Food and refreshments provided. Between 11:30 a.m. and 3 p.m. there will be presentations from the U.S. Geological Survey, Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks, Center for Wildlife Information and electric fencing specialists.

The event is sponsored in partnership with the Flathead County/Flathead National Forest Resource Advisory Committee, Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks, Interagency Grizzly Bear Committee, Glacier National Park, Living with Wildlife Foundation, Center For Wildlife Information, Defenders of Wildlife, Bob Marshall Wilderness Foundation, U.S.G.S. Bear DNA Study, Burlington Northern Santa Fe, Glacier Association, Glacier Fund, Counter Assault, UDAP Pepper Power, Great Northern Environmental Stewardship Area, and the Trapline Café.

For more information contact the Hungry Horse – Glacier View Ranger District at 406-387-3800.